

Notification of Commitment Adjustment Letter

Funding Year 2011: July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012

December 30, 2016

BOB SCHWARTZ
GLYNN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
1313 EGMONT ST.
BRUNSWICK, GA 31520-7244

Re: Form 471 Application Number:

Funding Year:

Applicant's Form Identifier:

Billed Entity Number:

FCC Registration Number:

SPIN:

Service Provider Name:

Service Provider Contact Person:

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BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC

Itanya Montgomery

Our routine review of Schools and Libraries Program (SLP) funding commitments has revealed certain applications where funds were committed in violation of SLP rules.

In order to be sure that no funds are used in violation of SLP rules, the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) must now adjust your overall funding commitment. The purpose of this letter is to make the required adjustments to your funding commitment, and to give you an opportunity to appeal this decision. USAC has determined the applicant is responsible for all or some of the violations. Therefore, the applicant is responsible to repay all or some of the funds disbursed in error (if any).

This is NOT a bill. If recovery of disbursed funds is required, the next step in the recovery process is for USAC to issue you a Demand Payment Letter. The balance of the debt will be due within 30 days of that letter. Failure to pay the debt within 30 days from the date of the Demand Payment Letter could result in interest, late payment fees, administrative charges and implementation of the "Red Light Rule." The FCC's Red Light Rule requires USAC to dismiss pending FCC Form 471 applications if the entity responsible for paying the outstanding debt has not paid the debt, or otherwise made satisfactory arrangements to pay the debt within 30 days of the notice provided by USAC. For more information on the Red Light Rule, please see

 ${\tt https://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/red-light-frequently-asked-questions.}$

TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

If you wish to appeal the Commitment Adjustment Decision indicated in this letter to USAC, your appeal must be received or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

- 1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address (if available) for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.
- 2. State outright that your letter is an appeal. Identify the date of the Notification of Commitment Adjustment Letter and the Funding Request Number(s) (FRNs) you are appealing. Your letter of appeal must include the
- Billed Entity Name,
- · Form 471 Application Number,
- · Billed Entity Number, and
- FCC Registration Number (FCC RN) from the top of your letter.
- 3. When explaining your appeal, copy the language or text from the Notification of Commitment Adjustment Letter that is the subject of your appeal to allow USAC to more readily understand your appeal and respond appropriately. Please keep your letter to the point, and provide documentation to support your appeal. Be sure to keep a copy of your entire appeal including any correspondence and documentation.
- 4. If you are an applicant, please provide a copy of your appeal to the service provider(s) affected by USAC's decision. If you are a service provider, please provide a copy of your appeal to the applicant(s) affected by USAC's decision.
- 5. Provide an authorized signature on your letter of appeal.

We strongly recommend that you use one of the electronic filing options. To submit your appeal to USAC by email, email your appeal to appeals@sl.universalservice.org or submit your appeal electronically by using the "Submit a Question" feature on the USAC website. USAC will automatically reply to incoming emails to confirm receipt.

To submit your appeal to us by fax, fax your appeal to (973) 599-6542.

To submit your appeal to us on paper, send your appeal to:

Letter of Appeal Schools and Libraries Program - Correspondence Unit 30 Lanidex Plaza West PO Box 685 Parsippany, NJ 07054-0685

For more information on submitting an appeal to USAC, see "Appeals" in the "Schools and Libraries" section of the USAC website.

FUNDING COMMITMENT ADJUSTMENT REPORT

On the pages following this letter, we have provided a Funding Commitment Adjustment Report (Report) for the Form 471 application cited above. The enclosed Report includes the Funding Request Number(s) from your application for which adjustments are necessary. See the "Guide to USAC Letters" posted at http://www.usac.org/sl/tools/samples.aspx for more information on each of the fields in the Report. USAC is also sending this information to your service provider(s) for informational purposes. If USAC has determined the service provider is also responsible for any rule violation on the FRN(s), a separate letter will be sent to the service provider detailing the necessary service provider action.

Note that if the Funds Disbursed to Date amount is less than the Adjusted Funding Commitment amount, USAC will continue to process properly filed invoices up to the Adjusted Funding Commitment amount. Review the Funding Commitment Adjustment Explanation in the attached Report for an explanation of the reduction to the commitment(s). Please ensure that any invoices that you or your service provider(s) submits to USAC are consistent with SLP rules as indicated in the Funding Commitment Adjustment Explanation. If the Funds Disbursed to Date amount exceeds your Adjusted Funding Commitment amount, USAC will have to recover some or all of the disbursed funds. The Report explains the exact amount (if any) the applicant is responsible for repaying.

Schools and Libraries Program Universal Services Administrative Company

cc: Itanya Montgomery
BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC

Funding Commitment Adjustment Report for Form 471 Application Number: 804815

Funding Request Number:

2182160

Services Ordered:

TELCOMM SERVICES

SPIN:

143004824

Service Provider Name:

BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC

Contract Number:

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Billing Account Number:

Site Identifier:

127476

Original Funding Commitment:

\$161,868.00

Commitment Adjustment Amount:

\$161,868.00

Adjusted Funding Commitment:

\$0.00

Funds Disbursed to Date

\$40,951.45

Funds to be Recovered from Applicant:

\$40,951.45

Funding Commitment Adjustment Explanation:

During an audit it has been determined that this funding commitment must be rescinded in full. On the FY 2011 FCC Form 470, you certified that you reviewed and complied with all FCC, state and local procurement/competitive bidding requirements. It was determined that you failed to comply with all FCC, state and local procurement/competitive bidding requirements. The applicant included the services requested and the specific name of the service provider in the RFP that was submitted which prevented fair and open competitive bidding. FCC rules require that the applicant submits a bona fide request for services by conducting internal assessments of the components necessary to use effectively the discounted services ordered, and by submitting a complete description of services requested so that it may be posted for competing providers to evaluate and certify to certain criteria under penalty of perjury. Since you included the services requested in the RFP with the names of the service providers you prevented the potential bidders from formulating their bids, you violated the competitive bidding process. Accordingly, the commitment has been rescinded in full and USAC will seek recovery of any improperly disbursed funds from the applicant.